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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability, mailed October 4, 2004, and to the Examiner's amendment of May 19, 2004, the Applicants respectfully request that the Patent Office exercise its discretion and enter the proposed amendments submitted herein under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. Entry of the amendments is proper because they correct typographical errors introduced by the Examiner's amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.